

Wyre Piddle Parish Council
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of the Council held on
22nd March 2018
in the Village Hall, Wyre Piddle

Meeting commenced: 7.30 pm - Meeting ended: 8.58pm

Present: Cllrs D Naraine, J. Paul, G. Smout, M McFarland.

In Attendance: Carole Hirst (Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer) Jenny Wilks,
County Cllr L. Tucker, C. Oakley, M. Oakley, Peter Hurst.

75/18 Apologies for absence – Cllr G. Johns.

76/18 Declarations of Interest for
a) the Meeting (Personal and Prejudicial) None

b) Any Changes to be Notified to the Registers of Interests and Gifts & Hospitality -No changes to the existing information lodged with the District Council were declared.

77/18 Approval of Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the
30th November 2017

The minutes had been previously circulated prior to the meeting and were unanimously approved as a correct of the meeting and signed by Cllr D Naraine (Chair).

78/18 Matters arising from the minutes – None

79/18 Adjournment of the meeting for the receipt of public questions

Mr Oakley raised press releases in Evesham Journal and local online news about poisoned fish in Piddle Brook – *Action: Cllr McFarland to contact Dave Throup from the Environment Agency and report back to Members.*

80/18 Planning applications and decision notices
APPLICATIONS.

17/02506 Staddlestones: Erection of single 4 bed dwelling with associated garaging and car parking- COMMENTS SUBMITTED
6/3/18 Objection

18/00174- Land Adjacent Meadow View- Outline application for 2 No. Live/Work Units

18/00132- Wyre Marina- Formation of new entrance

DECISION NOTICES.

18/00221 The Old Post Office: Conversion from 2 no flats to 1 dwelling with alterations

18/00132/FUL - Wyre Marina Boatyard, Mill Lane, Wyre Piddle-
Planning Approved

Members discussed a review of the WPPC Planning Process. Clerk to provide a list of applications with required response dates for members to consider. C. Oakley to provide advice on applications as they come in for Members to consider their response.

81/18

County Councillor Report.

Staddlestones planning application to be decided by the Planning Committee on 5 April 2018. The Officer recommendation is for Refusal although the decision rests with the Planning Committee at Wychavon DC. Cllr Tucker informed Members that they are welcome to attend the meeting and suggested it would be a good idea if someone could speak on this application at the forthcoming meeting to present a clear statement on how all parties stand on this application.

Further damage to Barrier has been reported. Cllr Tucker has asked that the CCTV be checked to see whether the perpetrator can be identified. As yet WCC has not reported back on this. Cllr Tucker expressed her concerns on the costs of repairs to the barrier and it was felt that the current costs of repairs due to vandalism could not be maintained.

Cllr Tucker reported that a meeting took place on Monday 19th March for the Pinvin PACT Group members and their parish council chairmen to meet the new neighbourhood policeman Paul Brown at 7.30 pm at Sandfields Farms office. The meeting went very well and the new team were very receptive to supporting parish councils with local issues. A Whatsapp group has been set up to keep everyone informed on these issues. Meetings will be held in future half yearly. The team discussed speed issues and it was suggested that the parish consider the Safer Roads Partnership Programme where 6 local community volunteers would be trained up for Speed Watch. Speed Watch is not prosecutable but the Police have said that they would endeavor to visit the home of anyone caught speeding as part of the scheme.

Action: Cllr Naraine to follow up the Speed Watch Scheme.

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Co-option of Member onto Wyre Piddle Parish Council. The last notice of vacancy produced for Wyre Piddle Parish Council was on 7/8/17 for a vacancy due to Mr Nigel Wood, which then went to co-option to try and fill the vacancy. Local Parishioner Jenny Wilks was proposed by Cllr M. McFarland and seconded by Cllr G. Smout. Jenny Wilks was unanimously voted onto the parish council by co-option.

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Financial Matters

(a) Payment of Accounts

The following accounts were approved for payment:-

March 22 nd 2018 Payments List

Payee	Description	TOTAL	Cheque
		£	Number
HMRC	PAYE submitted Jan	123.60	1
Carole Hirst	clerk Salary - Feb 18		
	Clerk Salary - March 2018	494.06	
	Expenses to 22 March 2018	25.05	BACS
Julian Tarran Groundworks Ltd	Groundworks carried out to play area	4,200.00	BACS
P.C. World	Wireless Laser Printer	299.99	DD
Collett Accountancy	Accountancy services for Payroll	242.00	BACS

TOTALS

5,384.70

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(b) Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 22nd March 2018

Opening Balance	£51,314.83
Add receipts 2017/18 to date	£22,599.82
Add adjustments to accounts	£209.57
Less payments year to date	(£16,834.38)

CLOSING BALANCE PER CASH BOOK @ 22nd March 2018 £ 57,289.84

(c) Parish Council to consider the incremental pay increase to the Clerk to the Council for 2018/19. The Clerk is due an incremental increase from SCP20 to SCP 21. Proposed by Cllr Naraine, Seconded by Cllr Paul. Unanimously approved.

(d) Agency Payroll Services to be discontinued from the start of the new financial year creating a saving to 2018/19 budget of £389.59 on 2017/18.

The Chairman approved the finance report and the report was proposed by Cllr J. Paul and Seconded by Cllr D. Naraine.

84/18

Maintenance of Open Spaces.

Lengthsman had nothing to report and was waiting to start the 2018/19 Lengthsman Contract.

Smiths Meadow –

Cllr John Paul reported that quotes for landing stage received and discussed, decision was made to go with Robert Andrews. Cllr John Paul to contact him week commencing 26/3/18).

Quotes for benches as discussed on 28/09/17 meeting. Decision was made to go with Marmax.

Bottom gate discussed and agreed to order 4' Galvanised metal gate. Cllr Naraine Proposed and Cllr McFarland seconded.

Unanimously approved all the above work and Cllr Paul to order with the approved Contractors.

Cllr Nariane reported that he had secured 60m of hedging from Pershore Horticultural College for £260 for the roadside hedgerow. Cllr McFarland proposed we go ahead and purchase this and Cllr Wilks seconded it. This was approved.

Poplar Play Area refurbishment – Work on site should be completed by the end of April subject to weather conditions.

Maintenance of roadways and pavements – Main Street pavements being repaired by WCC contractors after they have lowered the kerbs. Lengthsman to check whether the edges of the road can have the debris cleared out without leaving damage to the edges of the road. *Action for Lengthsman.*

Works required to Bridleways and Footpaths throughout the parish – none reported.

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Councillors Reports

Cllr Naraine reported that he had received 5 individual contractor quotes for the tree work at Poplar Ave and Smith's Meadow, with a variation of nearly £2000 between the highest and lowest. He is awaiting an update from one contractor so that all have quoted for the same work.

The Parish Council will then be in a position to award the contract and start work as soon as possible.

Cllr John Paul reported Severn Waste Land Fill Land fill continues on cell 5.3 and envisaged to last till the end of the year. A new cell 5.4 will be engineered later in year.

Breach of Methane in BH7 on 24/11/17 A level of 17% was recorded against a limit of 1.5%.

Breach of Methane in BH7 on 30/01/18 A level of 7.7% was recorded against a limit of 1.5%, normal limits at the beginning of March 18.

Second campaign to process the IBA is scheduled for late March 2018

YTD recycling 55.25%.

Cllr Paul reported that pavements throughout the village are narrow in places. Lengthsman to review and report back on grass edging via email.

Cllr Paul reported also that the bus shelter window pane was damaged, Cllr Paul will repair it himself to save money.

Cllr Paul also reported footpath and bridleway signs missing 1 at top of the hill pointing over railway crossing and 2 border between Wyre and Upper moor pointing to landfill.

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Correspondence.

Date of next meeting.

To confirm date of next meeting: **Thursday 24th May 2018** Annual Parish Meeting and Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council. (Start at 7pm with Annual Parish Meeting).

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.58pm

Approved as a true record D. Naraine.....
Chairman 24th May, 2018